

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re:	Application No. 10/559,996)	
)	<i>Confirmation No. 4587</i>
Filed:	October 4, 2006)	
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Applicants:	Ralf KRAHMER et al.)	
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Title:	REAGENTS FOR MODIFYING)	This Amendment was electronically filed
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Examiner:	Ronald T. Niebauer)	
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Attorney Docket:	5942/87136)	
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT B WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time in the above-identified application, up to and including May 18, 2009, to make this reply timely.

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated January 16, 2009. Applicants respectfully submit concurrently herewith a Request for Continued Examination and the following amendment and response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.